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ACTOR FELLA T' ASK US EF WE  
WANTED HIS AUTOGRAPH!

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YEP! AH  
HAS ALWAYS  
WANTED T' DRIV  
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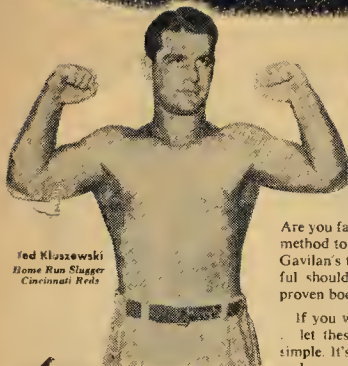


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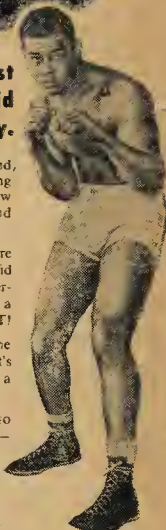
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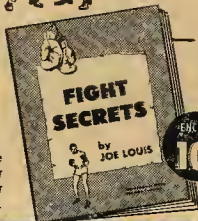


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HONEYDEW, AH'D  
BETTER CALL TH'  
GOVERNOR AN' ASK  
HIM T' RUSH  
**SOLDIERS!**



THAT'S GUMBO'S  
**SURPRISE, PA!** HE  
GOT TH' CAPFIELDS AN'  
TH' MACHOYS T' SIT DOWN  
AND IRON OUT THEIR  
FEUD BY  
ARBITRATION!

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NOW... ALL  
IN FAVOR OF  
LETTIN' **BYGONES**  
BE **BYGONES**  
RAISE THEIR  
HANDS!



AS OUR STORY OPENS, HONEYDEW CRAWFISHER AND GUMBO GALAHAD WALK HAPPILY DOWN THE HILL TOWARDS SHOOTIN' CREEK!

HONEYDEW LAST NIGHT AH WAS READING IN MAH GREAT GREAT GRANDMA'S DIARY 'BOUT TH' FEUD 'TWEEN TH' CAPFIELDS AN' TH' MACHOYS!

TH' CAPFIELDS AN' TH' MACHOYS... WHY THEY'RE TH' BEST O' FRIENDS!



THEY T'WEREN'T ALWAYS... THEY HAD A FEUD THET LASTED OVAH A HUNDRED YARS!



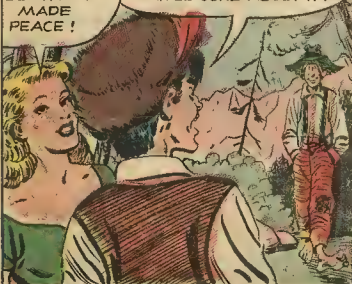
THAR WERE SHOOTIN'S AN KILLIN'S AN' BURNIN'S! WHY JES' TH' SPECTATORS LOST MORE'N FIFTY IN DEAD AN' WOUNDED!

MAH GOODNESS!



AH'M SHORE GLAD IT'S ALL OVAH AN' TH' SURVIVORS MADE PEACE!

SO AM I! SAY! HERE COMES CLEM MACHOY! AH BET HE NEVER EVEN HEARD O' TH' FEUD... AH'LL JOKE ABOUT IT!



AND SO GUMBO HAS HIS "LITTLE JOKE..."

AN' THEM CAPFIELDS PUSHED OUR GREAT GRANDDADDY'S SHACK PLUM OFF TH' MOUNTAIN... THAT WAS TH' DAY BEFORE THEY LOOSED ALL HIS PIGS INTO TH' WOODS!



AH'LL TELL YO' A FUNNY ONE... TH' CAPFIELDS USET T' SHOOT YO' GREAT GREAT GRANDMA'S WASH FULL O' HOLES JES FER PRACTICE!

YO' HAIN'T A MAKIN' THIS UP, IS YO', GUMBO?



NO! IT'S ALL IN TH' BOOK! WAIT...AH GOT A FEW MORE LITTLE INCIDENTS T' RELATE T' YO'!

AH HEARED ENOUGH!





GUMBO, AH DON'T THINK HE **LIKED** YOUR STORIES!

**LOOK!** HE'S MEETIN' UP WITH **CATFISH CAPFIELD!**

HOWDY, OLE PAL, IT'S ALWAYS A PLEASURE T'MEET ANY OF YO' **MACHOYS** ON TH' ROAD!



**AH ENJOYS IT MAHSELF!**



YO' CAPFIELDS WILL HEAR FROM ME AGAIN!

BUT **WHY**, OLE PAL, **WHY?**

MAYBE **AH** CAN HELP!



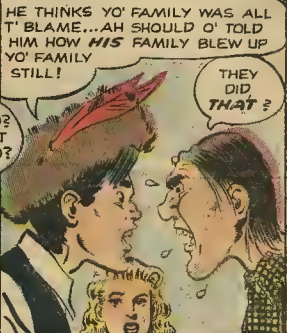
AH MADE A MISTAKE BY TELLING HIM ABOUT THE OLE FEUD 'TWEEN **HIS** FAMILY AN' **YOURN!**



FEUD? WHAT FEUD?

AFTER GUMBO EXPLAINS...

HE THINKS YO' FAMILY WAS ALL T' BLAME...AH SHOULD O' TOLD HIM HOW **HIS** FAMILY BLEW UP YO' FAMILY STILL!



THEY DID **THAT?**

**YASSUH!** AN' WHAT'S MORE THEY PUT GUNPOWDER IN YOUR GREAT GREAT AUNT'S WEDDIN' CAKE AN' BLEW TH' GROOM AN' TWO BRIDESMAIDS CLEAR ACROSS TH' VALLEY!



**THEY DID DID THEY?**

SUDDENLY...

**AH WA HOO HOO!**

MAH' GOSH ...AH THINK HIS'N BRAIN JES' FRAZZLED!

NO, HONEY, AH REMEMBERS THOSE WORDS FROM TH' DIARY... THAT'S TH' **WAR CRY** O' TH' CAPFIELDS!



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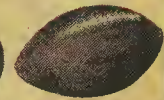
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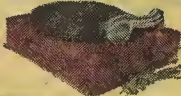
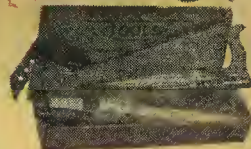
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AND **THUS THE LONG FORGOTTEN FEUD BREAKS OUT ANEW!** **WITHIN HOURS, THE ENTIRE MOUNTAIN POPULATION REALIZES WHAT HAS HAPPENED... AND SHERIFF CRAWFISHER REACTS VIOLENTLY WHEN HE LEARNS OF THE PART GUMBO HAS PLAYED IN THE DISTURBANCE!**

**YO' IDIOT! YO' NUMBSKULL! SEE WHAT YOU'VE DONE? DO YO' SEE?**

**BUT SHERIFF, AH WAS JES PLAYIN' A LITTLE JOKE!**



**BAH! GIT OUT O' HEAH! AH FO'BIDS YO' T' SEE HONEYOEW ANY MORE!**

**AH RECKON THIS'LL BREAK MAH HEART, HONEDEW!**

**M-MINE TOO GUMBO!**



**THE GOOD PEOPLE OF SHOOTIN' CREEK STAY INDOORS AS THE FURY OF THE FRAY INTENSIFIES...**



**FOR DAYS, THE HILLS ECHO WITH THE SOUND OF GUNFIRE...**

**MEANWHILE, GUMBO GROPES FOR A SOLUTION...**

**IT'S A GOOD THING THAT TH' MACHOYS CAN'T SHOOT MUCH GOOD!**

**TH' ONLY WORSE SHOTS IN TH' HILLS ARE TH' CAP-FIELDS!**

**YOU'LL SOLVE IT, GUMBO! FOR EVERY QUESTION THAR'S AN ANSWER... REMEMBER THAT!**

**YO'RE RIGHT, MA... BUT SOMETIMES TH' ANSWER IS I DON'T KNOW!**

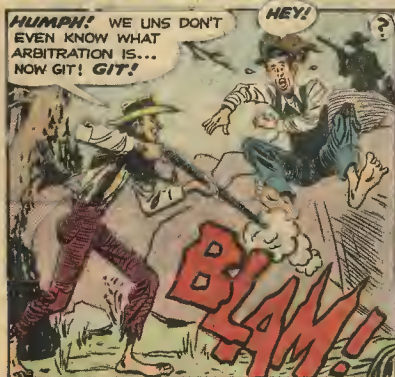


**AH'VE GOT IT... ARBITRATION! THA'S TH' ANSWER! AN T' BE SURE IT'S DONE RIGHT, AH'LL BE TH' ARBITRATOR!**

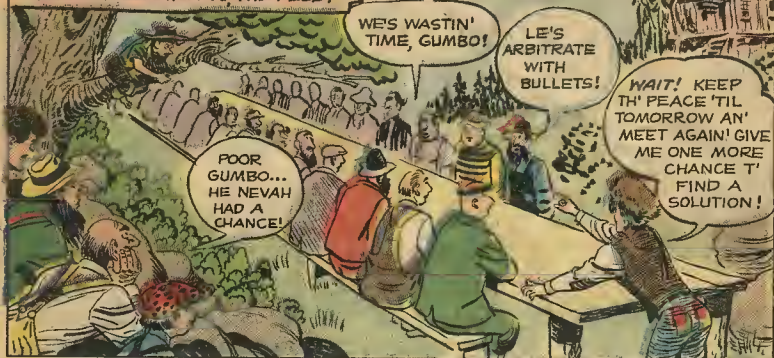




SO...THE NEXT MORNING...



AND SO, THE TWO WARRING FACTIONS MEET, BUT FROM THE BEGINNING IT IS OBVIOUS THAT THERE IS LITTLE HOPE FOR A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE FEUD!



WE'S WASTIN' TIME, GUMBO!

LE'S ARBITRATE WITH BULLETS!

WAIT! KEEP TH' PEACE 'TIL TOMORROW AN' MEET AGAIN! GIVE ME ONE MORE CHANCE T' FIND A SOLUTION!

POOR GUMBO... HE NEVAH HAD A CHANCE!

RELUCTANTLY THE TWO FAMILIES AGREE TO THE REQUEST, AND IT'S A FRANTIC GUMBO WHO TRIES TO THINK OF A WAY TO END THE FEUD... MIDNIGHT HAS LONG SINCE PASSED WHEN...



YO'LL END TH' FEUD, GUMBO! AH'LL BET YO' COULD O' ENDED IT TH' LAST TIME, TOO!

THE LAST TIME? SAY... HOW DID THEY END IT?

THEY STOPPED FEUDIN' WHEN THEY DISCOVERED IF THEY JOINED FORCES THEY HAD ENOUGH VOTES T' CONTROL TH' TOWN!



SO—THE NEXT MORNING!

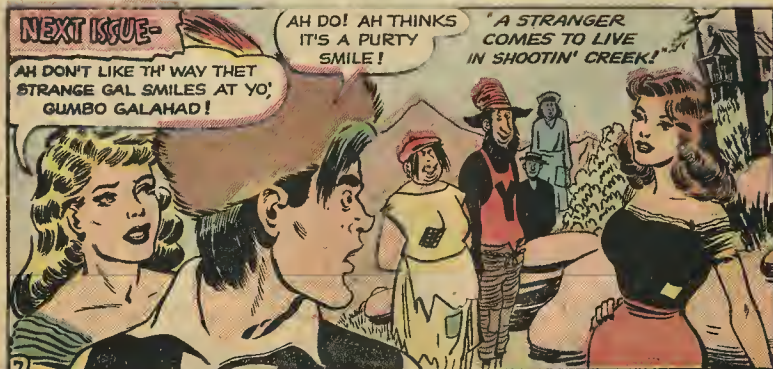
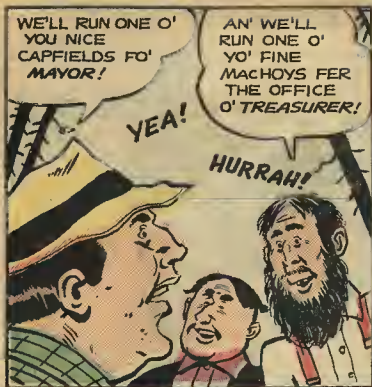
YO' CAN DO IT, TOO! BETWEEN YO', YOU CAN RUN THIS TOWN! YO' JUST HAS TO STICK TOGETHER!

AH MOTIONS TH' FEUD BE ENDED!

AH SECONDS IT!







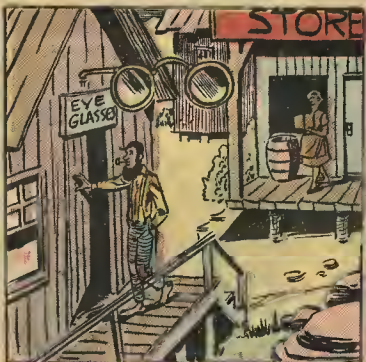
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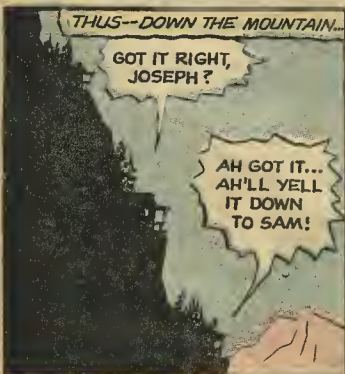




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# THE MESSAGE

...A SHORT SHORT STORY...





AFTER SEVERAL MORE RELAYS...

YOU'LL PUT TH' CALL RIGHT IN, EH MISTER PONECORN?

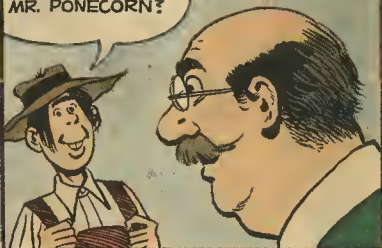
RIGHT AWAY!



A FEW MINUTES LATER...

YO' GOT AN ANSWER YET, MR. PONECORN?

YEP! YO' CAN START RELAYIN' IT BACK!



SO— BACK ACROSS THE VALLEY...

GOT IT, PHIL?

YEP! AH'LL TELL IT T' FRED ON TH' NEXT FARM!



...AND UP THE MOUNTAIN!

GOT IT STRAIGHT, MURT?

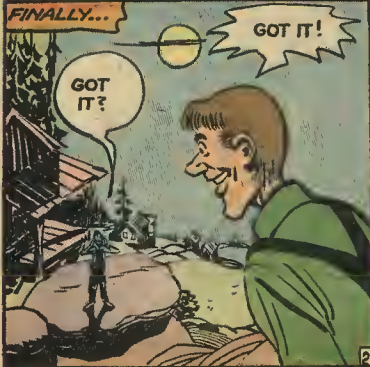
YEP! AH'LL PASS IT ON UP!



FINALLY...

GOT IT!

GOT IT?



THEN...

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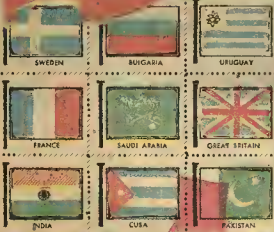


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# A CLOSE SHAVE



BUT BROTHER, I CHECKED UP! EVERY MAN IN COONSKIN HOLLOW LIKES TO WEAR A BEARD!

THEN OUR JOB IS TO MAKE IT STYLISH TO BE CLEAN SHAVEN! WE'LL USE SMART MERCHANDISING!

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A GREAT IDEA!



I HAD NO TROUBLE AT ALL IN PUTTING OVER THE PROPOSITION...

FO' A HUNDRED DOLLARS AH'D SHAVE MAH HEAD!

ME TOO!

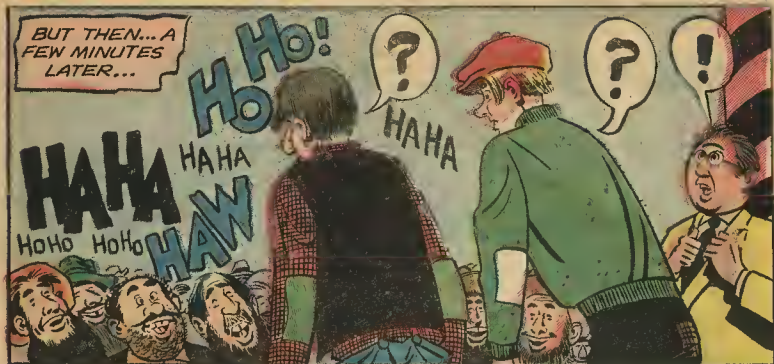
THEN IT'S A DEAL... YOU'LL SHAVE TOMORROW!



I MADE SURE THE WORD GOT AROUND... AND THE NEXT DAY EVERY MAN IN TOWN WAS ON HAND!

GENTLEMEN, I'M NOT GOING TO TRY TO EXPLAIN THE ADVANTAGES OF SHAVING... I'M GOING TO LET YOU SEE FOR YOURSELVES!





NEEDLESS TO SAY, SINCE THAT TIME, WE HAVE NEVER BEEN ABLE TO SELL A SINGLE BLADE IN THAT PART OF THE COUNTRY!



# SATURDAY NIGHT AT SHOOTIN' CREEK



Ma MacSleezy was angry! Pa and "the children" sat quietly at the table and waited for the outburst they knew would come.

Ma still had on her best dress, the one she'd worn to town that afternoon, and so intense was her anger that she didn't bother to wipe off a bit of hawg jowl gravy that had dripped to her collar — a sure sign she was in her darkest mood.

Finally, Pa spoke up. "Ma, we know you're about t' bellow like a bull bit by a hornet. Why don't yo' do it now so's we kin finish our vittles without all this suspense."

Luke started to concur with pa's feelings but Magnolia backhanded him so quick that the words never left his mouth.

"All right," Ma said. "Ah'll speak my piece and any of yo' what interrupts will be chased off the mountain — an' not by way of th' trail!"

"Now, ah'll tell yo' why ah'm as sore as a skinned rabbit in a briar patch. It's 'cause o' the bad reputation we uns has in town. Today ah saw 'em look at me an' ah heard 'em speak. They think we uns is no good riff-raff and are no ac-

count ridge rats. They think we're mean an' nasty an' quarrelsome and no good'll ever come from any of us."

"But ma," Luke put in, "thats all true and we've always been proud o' it . . . at least we're not like those valley varmints who pretend to be what they hain't!"

Ma dug her hand up to the wrist in the mashed sweet potatoes and before Luke could pull back his head she caught him fair between the eyes with a dripping fistful of the food. "Shut up," she roared. "Tha's all over now! From now on we uns is going to be respectable, decent folks and we're going to let th' village people know it."

Ma would've continued, but the choking of pa, who'd been on the point of swallowing a mouthful of food, drowned out her words. Merciless MacSleezy poured Pa some water and a moment later all attention was again focused on Ma.

"Tomorrow, we're all goin' to town in our best clothes and we're goin' t' be friendly an' cheerful an' kind to everyone. Tomorrow night we'll all go to th' barn dance an' tha'll be no fighting, shooting or nothin'. Folks'll begin to see we hain't

what they been thinkin' we is."

By the next evening, the townspeople of Shootin' Creek were dismayed at the change that had taken place in the MacSleezy family. Never had they seen them so well mannered, friendly and courteous. "Looks like they've turned over a new leaf," whispered an old mountaineer.

"Ah'd shore want t' see th' other side o' thet leaf close up afore ah'd believe it was fer th' better," replied a suspicious disbeliever.

By the time the dance began, the MacSleezy's were the talk of the town. When the first rhythm of Guitar Gus' musicians started everyone's feet tapping, there was an air of expectancy in the hall that even the music couldn't dismiss.

For an hour, everything ran smoothly. The MacSleezy's danced with many of the townspeople and their politeness and grace caused many a head to turn. And then it happened. A shrill scream shattered the night air and suddenly everyone's attention was focused on the door. A sigh of dismay rose from a hundred throats for there stood the MacHogbites, sworn enemies of the MacSleezy's. They advanced into the hall, appraised the assemblage, then broke out of the group, each walking to where a different MacSleezy was standing with a village dancing partner.

Rudely they cut in and Pa MacHogbite ordered Gus to play his music. The MacSleezy's gathered in a corner and held a hurried whispered conversation.

"This is the test," Ma MacSleezy murmured. "If we can hold our peace now, we'll have showed everyone what fine character we has when we wants to use it."

"Ma, le's be people o' fine character some other time," begged Luke. "Let me belt that Sam MacHogbite around a bit!"

"You'll do notin' o' th' kind or ah'll belt you when we get home," replied Ma.

She studied Luke intently until the determined look faded — from his face.

By eleven o'clock the MacHogbites were downright rude and insulting. They pushed the Mac-

Sleezy's from the dance floor, and each time one would go by they would sneer derisively. Finally, Jake MacHogbite grabbed Magnolia by the waist and pulled her into the dancing throng. It was obvious to everyone that she disdained him but it was obvious that she would continue to be polite and nice.

It was about midnight when Sheriff Crawfisher approached Pa MacSleezy and questioned him about the "new look." Finally, Pa blurted out the whole story.

The Sheriff sympathized with him and then walked thoughtfully away. A few minutes later he ascended to the platform and called upon Gus to stop the music. Then he addressed the assemblage. He told them briefly the story Pa had just related.

"Now," he continued, "Everyone here knows th' MacHogbites have been actin' up tonight and we'd like to be rid of 'em. Ah hereby make each o' th' MacSleezy's Deputy Sheriffs and ah orders them t' get th' MacHogbites gone. It's the duty O' th' MacSleezy's as upstanding citizens to help enforce the law."

As he stopped speaking, th' MacHogbites were gathered. In a matter of seconds, bedlam broke loose. Never had the townspeople seen such a fight. All of the wrath the MacSleezy's had been storing up burst out like a flooded river breaking through a dam. And then it was over. The MacHogbites, disheveled and defeated, beat a hasty exit. The MacSleezy's, screaming their fearful war cries, took out after them like hound dogs after a pack of foxes.

The old mountaineer, who'd remarked about the MacSleezy's new leaf, put his hand on his friend's shoulders. "Shootin' Creek needs folks as rough as those MacSleezy's! Otherwise, folks like the MacHogbites would run th' town."

"You're right, old timer," replied his friend. "Ah guess everyone in town would be unhappy if they really changed their ways. What would a Saturday night dance be if thar weren't MacSleezy's around to stir up excitement!"

**THE END**



# POKEY

WATCHA DOIN',  
POKEY...  
DIGGIN'?

AH'M DIGGIN'  
A GORILLA  
TRAP!



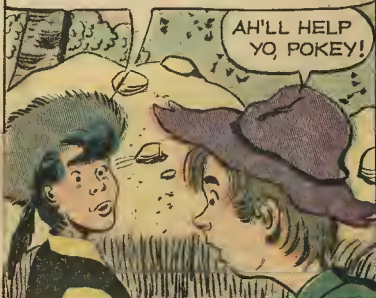
AH READ IN A BOOK THAT TH' WAY THEY CATCH **GORILLAS** IS T' DIG A HOLE AN' TH' GORILLA FALLS IN IT AN' IS CAUGHT!

AH DON'T THINK THAR ARE ANY **GORILLAS** IN THESE PARTS! AT LEAST, **NOT MANY!**



BUT THARS BEARS! AH FIGURES THEY DON'T KNOW TH' DIFFERENCE!

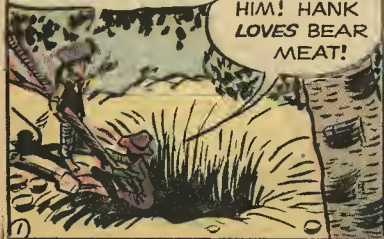
AH'LL HELP YQ, POKEY!



SO...SEVERAL HOURS LATER...

THAR! NOW, WHEN WE COME BACK TOMORROW MORNIN', WE SHOULD HAVE A BEAR!

AH HOPE HANK TH' HERMIT DON'T STEAL HIM! HANK LOVES BEAR MEAT!

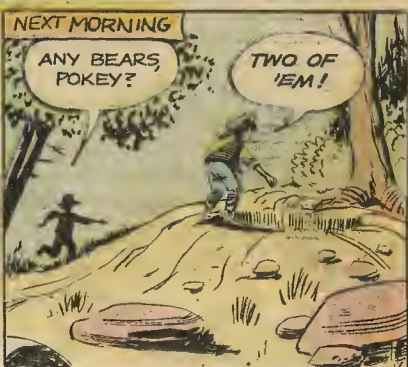
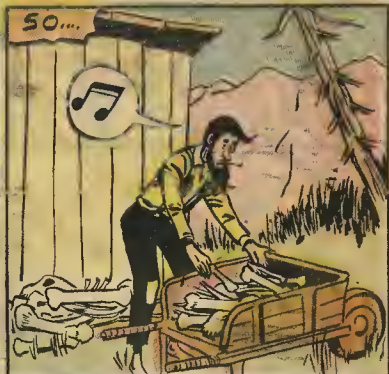


THAT EVENING, AS HANK, THE HERMIT DISCOVERS THE HOLE...

WHAR IN TARNATION DID THIS HEAH HOLE COME FROM?

IT GIVES ME AN IDEA!







# Get Rid of UGLY PIMPLES this new easy way!

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City  Zone  State

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**BEFORE**

This young man suffered from a severe case of acne for years and tried all the usual "remedies" without success.



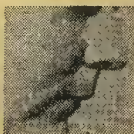
**AFTER**

Same young man after using KERAPLEX twice a day for just one week. Notice the decided improvement—pimples completely gone!



**BEFORE**

Note more than a dozen blemishes on just one side of this girl's face before KERAPLEX was applied.



**AFTER**

Same girl had used KERAPLEX twice a day for only 5 days when above photo was taken. Note the amazing improvement.

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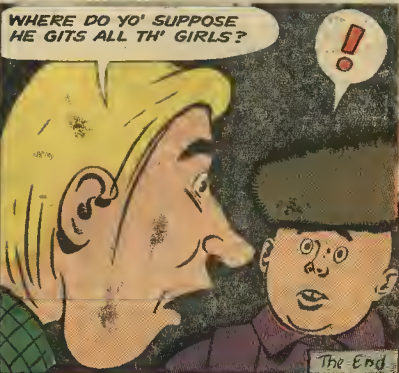
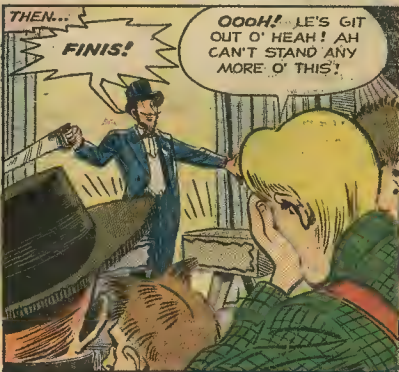
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# L-LEM

BY  
ART  
GATES





# TH' MAC SLEEZY'S

## (DON'T TRUST 'EM)

BY  
ART  
GATES



ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH THE SCRIPT, BOYS? IN THIS SCENE GLAM HERE THOROUGHLY WHIPS ALL OF YOU IN A FIGHT!

AH DON'T THINK HE CAN DO IT!

AH DON'T EITHER!

NOR DOES I!

OUR STORY BEGINS AS GLAM FLOOD THE FAMOUS MOVIE STAR, DRIVES TO LOCATION WHERE THE PICTURE "HILLBOY" IS BEING FILMED.

Y-YOU MEAN THIS IS YOUR LAST PICTURE UNLESS WE DOUBLE YOUR SALARY?

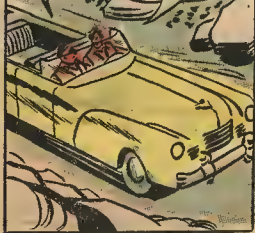
YEP! I'M MR. BOXOFFICE! WOMEN LOVE ME... YOU KNOW THAT! I'M THE GREATEST LDVER SINCE VALENTINO!

IF ONLY I COULD FIND A GIRL WHO WOULD BRUSH HIM OFF! THERE MUST BE ONE!

I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE THINKING, BEEFY... BUT THERE ARE NONE! YOU'VE TRIED TO FIND 'EM BEFORE!

SUDDENLY... LOOK! A WILD BOAR! THAT'S THE MOST DANGEROUS ANIMAL IN THE HILLS!

GOOD GRIEF! AND THAT GIRL...SHE'S CHASING IT!







**THOSE IDIOTS!  
THEY'RE NUTS!**  
IMAGINE TAKING  
OUR CAR RIGHT  
FROM UNDER  
OUR EYES!

THERE'S NOTHING  
WE CAN DO ABOUT  
IT BUT REPORT IT  
TO THE SHERIFF...  
AND WE'D BETTER  
GET STARTED!

...SO AFTER AN EIGHT MILE WALK TO  
THE VILLAGE OF SHOOTIN' CREEK...

**IT MUST'VE BEEN  
TH' MACSLEEZYS!**  
THAR'S NO ONE IN TH'  
WHOLE WORLD AS  
ZANY AS THEM!

WELL, I WANT  
MY CAR **BACK**  
AND I WANT  
THOSE **IDIOTS**  
IN **JAIL!**

THE  
SUN IS  
JUST  
SETTING  
AS THE  
DEPUTY  
AND  
HIS  
PARTY  
ARRIVE  
AT THE  
MAC-  
SLEEZY  
SHACK!

LOOK WHAT THEY'RE  
DOING TO MY CAR!  
**OHooo! IT'S  
RUINED!**

TAIN'T YER CAR...  
YO' GAVE IT T' **US...AN'**  
IT TAIN'T RUINT...WE'S  
JUST **PAINTIN' IT!**

WE HAPPENS T' LIKE  
**POLKA DOTS!** THEY'S  
PURTY! AN' WE PUT ON  
A FEW PATCHES T' MAKE  
USN'S FEEL LIKE HOME!

AFTER EXPLANATIONS ARE  
EXCHANGED...

YO' NO GOOD **INDIAN  
GIVER!** WHY WOULD  
WE WANT YO' SIGNATURE?  
WE UN'S CAN'T EVEN  
READ!

**THAT  
GIRL!**  
SHE  
WOULD  
**NEVER**  
FALL FOR  
HIM!

WAIT YOUNG LADY...WE ARE  
FILMING A PICTURE HERE  
IN TH' MOUNTAINS...WE'D  
LIKE TO HIRE YOU AND  
YOUR FAMILY AS  
EXTRAS!

WHAT'S  
AN  
EXTRA?

THEY'RE  
PEOPLE  
IN PICTURES  
WHO JUST  
STAND  
AROUND!

TH' PAY  
HAD BETTER  
BE GOOD OR  
**AH** WON'T  
STAND  
AROUND!

AND SO THE NEXT DAY--THE MACSLEEZYS ARRIVE JUST AS A SCENE IS BEING FILMED...

SORRY, MA... AH WON'T GIVE  
YO' ONE BITE O' FOOD...  
'TIL YOU'VE WORKED  
FER IT!

BUT, SON...  
AH'M TOO  
OLD T' WORK!

?

YO' RAT... THAT'S A FINE WAY  
T' TALK T' YER MA! YO'  
OUGHT TO BE ASHAMED  
O' YERSELF!

!

WAIT! I WAS ONLY  
ACTING! THAT LADY  
GETS WELL PAID  
FOR PLAYING HER  
PART!

HUMPH! IT  
SHORE LOOKED  
REAL T' ME!

LATER...

THERE'S A GIRL  
WHO WON'T  
TUMBLE, GLAM!  
WANT TO TRY?  
... WITH THE  
CONTRACT  
AT STAKE!

SURE! SHE'S  
GOT IT  
COMING  
TO HER  
FOR  
THAT PUNCH!

SO--A BIT LATER...

MAGNOLIA, YOU'RE THE MOST  
BEAUTIFUL THING IN THE WORLD...  
I'M FALLING IN LOVE  
WITH YOU!

?

THUS... ALL THROUGH THE AFTERNOON...

EVERY TIME I LOOK AT YOU, I SAY TO  
MYSELF... IF ONLY THAT LOVELY GIRL  
WOULD FALL IN LOVE WITH ME!

DO YO'  
GLAM?





LEAVE HIM ALONE, YO'  
DARLIN' RATS ... THA'S TH'  
MAN O' MAH DREAMS!

HEY!



BUT A MOMENT LATER...

GIT HIM, BOYS! AH'LL  
HOLD ONTO MAGNOLIA  
FER AS LONG AS AH  
CAN!

MAH  
GOODNESS!  
A MOTHER  
HAS T' DO  
WHAT SHE  
HAS T' DO!



THANKS,  
MA!

SORRY,  
SON!

MA! YO' TURNED  
ON YER  
OWN SON!



SORRY, DARLIN' ...  
BUT WHEN A GIRL IS  
IN LOVE, IT'S HER  
MOTHER'S JOB T'  
HELP HER LAND  
TH' MAN FER  
A HUSBAND!

WAIT!



I'M SORRY...BUT THIS WHOLE THING IS A  
MISTAKE! I BET MY BOSS I COULD MAKE  
YOU FALL IN LOVE WITH ME! I WAS  
ACTING! I COULDN'T MARRY YOU... I'M  
ALREADY MARRIED! FORGIVE ME!

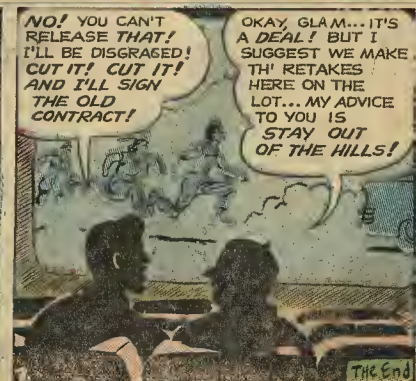
FORGIVE  
YOU?



GIT HIM!









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BY ART GATES



HOWDY, HILDA!  
AH THOUGHT  
AH'D COME  
UP AN'  
VISIT FER  
A WHILE!

SMOKY,  
AH CAN'T  
WASTE  
MAH TIME  
ON' TH'  
LIKES O'  
YO'!



YO' DOES NOTHIN' BUT  
LOAF, LOAF, LOAF!

BUT AH LIKES  
T' LOAF, HILDA!



**HUMPH!** LOAFIN' HAIN'T  
ALL THAR IS T' LIFE!  
FOLKS HAS T' WORK...  
AN' WORK HARD!



WHY, EVEN TH' BEES  
STORE AWAY HONEY... AN'  
LOOK AT THAT LITTLE  
SQUIRREL! HE'S WORKIN'  
AT GATHERIN' NUTS!  
NOW GIT ALONG WITH  
YO' AN' CHANGE YO'  
WAYS OR DON'T  
COME BACK!

ALL  
RIGHT! AH'M  
GOIN'!



THAT EVENING...

SMOKY, AH TOLD  
YO' T' STAY  
AWAY FROM  
HERE... AN AH  
MEANT IT!

BUT  
AH HAS CHANGED  
MAH  
WAYS,  
HILDA...  
AN' AH  
HAS TH' PROOF!



**HAVE SOME  
NUTS!**

The End

# The Inquiring Artist

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TO LIVE IN THE CITY WITH ALL ITS CONVENIENCES?

THE PLACE: THE MACSLEEZY HOMESTEAD, SHOOTIN' CREEK.

MAGNOLIA

MERCILESS

AH GOT TH'  
OPPORTUNITY!  
ALL AH HAS T'  
DO IS START  
WALKIN'...  
BUT AH DON'T,  
YO' NOTICE!

NONE O' YER  
BUSINESS!

AH DON'T LIKE  
EITHER TH' CITY OR  
TH' COUNTRY!

HANNIBAL

MA

LUKE

NO! THA'S LIKE ASKIN'  
A BIRD EF IT WOULD  
LIKE T' HAVE T' WALK  
ON TH' GROUND!

FOLKS IN TH' CITY  
WORK ALL TH'  
TIME... AN' THET  
HAIN'T CONVENIENT!

EF TH' CITY'S SO GREAT,  
WHY DO ALL TH' FOLKS  
FROM THAR COME HEAH  
WHEN THEY GITS A  
VACATION EACH YEAR?

THANKS FOR ALL YOUR NICE LETTERS, FOLKS! WE  
APPRECIATE YOUR OPINIONS AND COMMENTS... EACH  
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ADDRESS:

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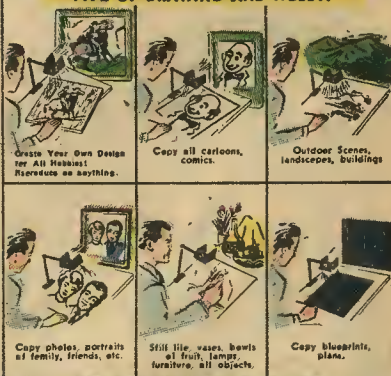
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th a t  
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